# THE CHESS PLAYERS' CORNER

HOFFER'S COMMENTS ON SAN

How Marshall Lost His Chance of

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SERVICES PRESENTED TO SERVICES blanca. Although his record was nil beyond the match against Marshall, which he won, so to speak, hands down, there was only his remark ably successful simultaneous play, but such performances are discounted nowadays, and justly so, for a player with a knowledge of theory and a quick sight of the board, even if he were not quite of master's strength, could make a reputation in that specialty without being admissible for competition in a masters' tournament. Exceptions have been made, for instance, in the case of Charousek; with a kinas at Hanover, Pilisbury at Hastings, and now with Capablanca, and in each case the result justified the choice. Charousek, aithough not placed at Nüremberg, where he made his debut, won two first prize and a second prize in three successive tournaments, Budapest, Berlin and Cologne, Atkins won the third prize at Hanover, Pilisbury won the first prize at Hanover, Pilisbu most famous predecessors. He was ahead of the list all through and was only once caught up by Rubinstein on the day when he could not score, having had his bye, but he took the lead again from Rubinstein on the day when he could not score, having had his bye, but he took the lead again and won by a fraction only, it is true, but the favorites ran neck and neck, as may be seen from the table, haif a point dividing each division right down to the last three players. When leading with two points before meeting Rubinstein he may have thought to have enough in hand to draw with dangerous opponents, otherwise the lead might have been more tangible. But even the fact that so young a master should play to the score is a quality not to be underestimated in a tournament player. Capablanea's style is the modern, a fyocated and practised by Lasker, He had always the game with Janowski and apparently so against Spielmann, and of course in the one instance when he lost with Rubinstein. Here his Judgment was at fault, as he really underrated the threatened danger. These are underrated the threatened danger. These are slight blemishes compared with the lapses of the other players. After such a signal success it is only fair to assume that Capablanca is one of our foremost masters!
Rubinstein—Although not losing a single game and defeating the first prize winner is a grand achievement, yet it must be admitted that his

play on this occasion was inferior to that in former tournaments. He was ultra sound, ultra cautious and ultra "modern." Not a spark of enterprise. and ultra "modera." Not a spark of enterprise. Tea draws in fifteen games is too large a proportion for an aspirant to a first prize. He suffered from lack of training and a tinge of pessimism, which was accentuated after every failure. to score a whole point, \*
Dr. Vidmar-He is supposed to have been

and there must of necessity be a greater element cautious one. Considering that he had no opportunity for training ever since the St. Petersburg tournament, the merit of being second in such a

contest is enhanced considerably.

Marshail—In spite of Capablanca, Rubinstein and Viciniar. Marshail had the best chance of emerging first, if he possessed only a fraction of Capablanca's quality of playing to the score. At essly ventured on an unsound sacrificing com-bination, no doubt lured to 4t by Duras's bad form, and so jeopardized his chance. His mishap with Schlechter was simply a finger fault, and for that he cannot be blamed; it is an accident. ile was nevertheless the only player whose games TRUE NO AN PROPERTY OF THE PRO

Marotzy miso out of training, showed an wal tendency to pervousness, and ne was gui of omissions (oreign to his former style, several instances he drew games which he sho nave won. Notably against Duras and Dr. Ta

Or. Tarrasch has had a recurrence of his form enact; and sound unimaginative style. dayed some hard games and was just within

ce of being placed. Spielmann played some fine games and other below his strength and his St. Petersb

nd that he was influenced in some way is borne out by the fact that he abandoned those openings or which he had such predictions at Hamburg.
Janowski was beaten by the four prize win
ers. This is all the explanation that need he

as in the case of the Hastings revival of 1905. St. Petersburg has awakened to a realization of the full import of the great victory achieved by Jose R Capablanca, the Cuban chess champion, in the international masters' tournament at San Sebastian. When Pillsbury startled the chess world by winning the English congress sixteen years ago he was invited, along with Dr. Emanual Lasker. William Steinitz and M. I. Tschigorin, to take part in a four cornered tournament in the Russian capital. This was dely arranged and contested and Dr. Lusker won. It is now planned by the St. Petersburg Chess Club to hold a similar tournament to give an opportunity to Capablanca to test his skill against three of the acknowledged masters of the day. The favored few who, besides the Cuban champion, will be asked to participate are Dr. Lasker, world's champion. Carl Schlechter, the Austrian champion, who came within an ace of wresting the title from Mr. Lasker, and A. K. Budinstein, Russian champion, who though placed second at San Sebastian lost not a single game and moreover was the only player to win from Capablanca.

Capablanca has been invited to give exhibitions of his remarkable skill at simultaneous chess before the members of the St. Petersburg Chess Club. In addition he will play single exhibition match games as Duschotimirski, Snosko-Borowski, Lewin, Von Freymann and Loewentsch He will also be asked to play simultaneously against consultation teams at six or seven tables.

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be sufficient advantage to enable him win the game after forty-two moves, apablanca made a brave fight with a passed awn on the queen's wing, but to no pur-ose, although an ordinary opponent might ave been outwitted by him.

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2 P QB4	P-Ra	33 P R 1	B-41
2 P QB4	Kt-KB3	54 P R5	R K17
4 B K15	B K2	85 B B	H 117
5 P K3	Castles	36 Q - Ba	H- K3
6 Kt - B3	QK! Q2	137 P - B4	D-13
7 13 - 11	P 1347	38 WXP	14 144
5 BPxF	KPXP	39 Q 100	B - B2
8 BPxF 9 PxP 10 B Q3 11 Castles	BxP	40 Q-Q7	R KB
10 B Q3	13-K2 Kt-Kt3	40 Q - Q7 41 Q - 57 42 R - Q8 45 Q - 165 44 R - Q7 45 Q - 87 47 Q - K17 47 Q - K17 48 Q - R6 49 Q - K15 50 Q -	QR-R QR-K
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12 Q Kt3	B - K3	43 Q - B5	K KI
18 Kt Q4	KKt Q2	44 R - Q7	R H
14 B KB4	Kt Bi KtxB	45 Q - B7	R-R
15 Q B2	Ktx13	46 Q B7	KR-B
16 OxKt	5 P-SRA	17 Q K17	QR Kt
17 QKt - Kt	5 P-QR3	18 Q - R6	RR
18 R - 137	PARIO	19 Q -K15	QR-Kt
18 R - B7 19 RxQ	HXR	50 Q -KB5	RER
20 K(xP 21 P QR3	KR B	51 Q - Q3	R-B1
21 P QR3	R-R4	52 R - Q8 ch	RXR
22 Kt - Ba	H-KB3		K-R2
23 R-Q	B-K3	51 P - Kt4	R-Q1
24 P R3	Kt + B5	55 Q K7	K-Kt
25 Q 4K2	BxKt	56 B K3 57 B B5	P - B4
26 Px B	PAP	57 B - B5	Pal
	PxP .	58 Q -Bs ch	K - R2
28 OxP	R-Kth	59 B Q4	RXB
19 Q - Q1 30 R - Q3	P-Ra	(tr) 13 v 13	HXP
30 R Q3	K R2 R KKt	61 Q QB5	B -B2
31 R - K13	R-KKt	62 P Q5	Mestgns

	PRENC	CH DEFENCE.	
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White.	Black	Is hite.	
1 P - K4 2 P - Q3 3 QK1 - Q2	P-K5	18 K - R	13-155
2 P- Q3	P-QI	19 Kt - 157 ch	RXKt
SQX1-Q2	P-QB4	20 BxR	R-KB
4 KKt Ba	Kt QB3	21 B—R55	Kt-KEt
5 B-K2	B-QS	22 P-B4 23 Q-B3	8 Rs ch
6 Castles	KK1 K2	24 Q - Ra	QaP Cu
7 B K F Ba	Castles	25 R - K2	Q-1416
11 11 (116)	P-B4	26 QXQ	BXO
0 H-B	B- Q2	27 P - B5	OKI-K2
1 PxQP	PAP	28 B - KB3	B-Kt4
2 P QKti	QR-K	29 R - QB2	Kt KB3
5 B - Rt2	P-QKt3 P-QB5	30 P-R4	B-Qn
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	PxKt K-R	ar P-Kt5	B-KB7#
7 Kt - Kts		Resigns.	1, 1,131

variations. Marshall's style, even if not successful vith it, will please the majority of the tovers of the game.

The gon prize winners—In a tournament where eleven masters of repute, among them Schlechter, who only recently tied in the championship match with Lasker, are not placed, it would be invidious to make any distinction. No doubt if these players had been in their usual form a large number, should have made equal scores, as twenty-five.

(a) An irregular debut, chosen designedly by Niemzowitch to throw his opponent on his own resources, and the proposent of the sources, and two proposent on his own resources, and two payms, not so bad an investment. No doubt if he could have calculated far enough, which seems impossible in the actual right with a time limit, he might person had been in their usual form a large number. On At R5 the bishop is not well placed, but on the other hand if R K3, it would be obstructed. to make any distinction. No doubt if these plays is a played been in their usual form a large number. Capablanca to detect the flaw in Figure 2 and Famburg.

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	Schlechter.		Schlechter.		
n-	White.	Black.	White.	Black.	
	1 P-K4	P-K4	22 P QK14	R H	
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In	3 B Kt5	Kt - B3	24 PxQP	17 x 17	
11	4 Castles	P Q3	25 R QB	0 - 02	
	5 P - O1	B Q2	25 R QB 26 R R	P OKti	
11-	6 R - K	B K2	27 B Kt3	0 - 02 P - 0Kt1 K - Kt2	
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ek	5 P Q1 6 R K 7 P R3 8 R R4	12 - 16	29 13 - 116	BAB	
59-13	9 QK! Q2	H-KP	30 RxB	R-R2	
	9 QX1 Q2 10 B - B2 11 P - KR8	P-KR3	24 13 132	OR R	
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m.	12 Kt B	Kt R24	33 16 112	OD D7	
	13 Kt - Kan	H - K12	35 Q B2 35 K - 132 35 K - K3e	SR RT	
is.	14 Kt Kt4	HAKI	35 K - K5	O K16	
rt.	14 Kt Kt4	Q B	56 Q Q2	D KKES	
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He.	17 P Kt5c	Patr	55 H Q.	Q B5ch	
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(a) This move prevents the usual II-K3, followed by Q Q2, generally adopted against the Flanchetto defence.

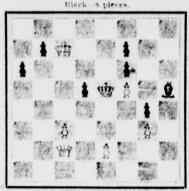
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of To prevent black's P-B4.

Perhaps of doubtful value, as it gives black
poen file, which became dancerous later on
black doubled rooks on it.

O Black now gains a move for his plan, as it
des him to play K-E2, making room for the

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White 6 pieces White to play and mate in three moves PROBLEM NO. 145. BY R. ERLIN



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NEWS OF THE YACHTSMEN OCEAN RACING TO BE A FEATURE

similar to those for the Brenton's Reef cup, but the course is from the Ambrose Channel lightship to and around the Five Fathon lightship off Cape May and return.
Robert E. Tod has challenged for both of
these cups, which are held by the Atlantic,
owned by Wilson Marshall. The regatta
committee of the New York Yacht Club is auxious to make these two races features and Karina defender and challenger for the cups, it is very probable that Morton F. Plant's new schooner Elena, William E. leelin's new 100 foot schooner Enchantress and possibly some others will take part in the races. There are several cruising schooners owned by American yachtsmen that would do well in such races as these and their owners are becoming interested comes ago at Hamburg.

Schlechter played without any energy except on one game against Duras, where he made an exceptionally line combination. The rest was of a lacklustre type.

Dr. bernstein a busy professional man, was not of training, but his style is still enterprising and full of gatlety, hence the small number of Schlechter, Bernstein.

Schlechter, Bernstein, L. Schlechter in the races. The Brenton's Reef cup was

yacht sailed against Navahoe.

The winners of the Cape May cup have



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than twice in a season.

The conditions for the Cape May cup are

THE MINOR CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The Metropolitan Association of the A. A has arranged for the minor championships of the season and the territory cluded in the different districts. The s

over all, 21 feet on the water line, 7 feet a inches beam and 5 feet 1 inches draughft. She spreads 550 square feet of calvas. The Psammiad is smaller than the lake class R boats, but she comes in well under the rule. Mir. Prentice purchased the boat to stimulate the sport on the lakes and he hopes that other lake yachtsmen will get boats for the class.

The regatta committee of the Rhode Island Yacht Club elected by the board of incretors at the last meeting is composed of E. I. Arnold, chairman: Charles H. Weeden, Capt. Lew Tillinghast, Bradbury Barnes and Frank Sweet.

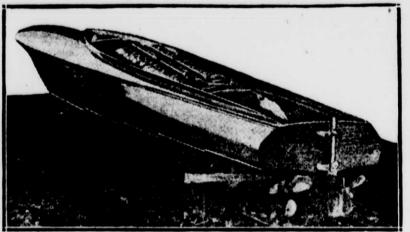
Mr. Arnold has long been a racing man, in fact me handled many of the famous Crosby cats; at present he is owner and skipper of the Isuelo, for two years champion of Class Q. Mr. Weeden owned the 21 footer Peggy, and these two me with the their associates promise to bring the Rhode Island club once more into prominence in racing affairs.

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UNDERBODY OF HYDROPLANE BRUNHILDE



DUKE OF WESTMINSTER'S MOTOR BOAT SHOWING BIG MOTORS.

NEWS OF THE ATHLETES

IMPROVEMENTS AT TRAVERS ISLAND.

Big Inducement of the Canadian Marathon—Crusade Against Betting at Athletic Meets in the South—Chicago

A. A. to Get Crack Performer Gossip.

For the last few weeks visitors to Travers Island and those who happened to pass the road in automobiles had their curiosity aroused by the appearance of a fresh mound of earth thrown up on the top of the hillock between the red nouse and the athletic dormitory. A band of laborers and some horses were there hard at work and all sorts of rumors got around about what they sorts of rumors got around about what they were doing. Some thought that the club experts had struck an oil well and the members who owned autos were delighted at the idea that perhaps gasolene might be had cheaper, while others hazarded the guess that maybe the men were looking for an artesian well that the athletes may have nurer water in training season. These have purer water in training season. Those who are a bit taken with the bucolic idea thought that a new lookout was being constructed for some Huckleberry Indian scout, as the time for the tribe was fast approach-

as the time for the tribe was fast approaching. When asked for information a few
of the wags around told the unwary thag
Col. Thompson had ordered a wireless
station erected on the mound, so that the
boys of the public schools might receive
free instruction in marconigraphy and that
the youths were to be brought to the island the youths were to be not the work kept up the entire summer.

All questions and conjectures, however, eased when Supt. Kerwin informed the curi-

ous that the tennis courts were being ex-tended, the workmen having to work like bees to have the courts ready in time for the opening of the season. There will be three new courts constructed at a cost of \$3,400, and these with the original five will make eight in all. This addition was said to be badly needed, as it is intended that some tournaments of more or less impor-tance will be run off in the near future. Whether or not any first rate fixtures are to be pulled off at the island, hardly a man in the club begrudges the tennis players their extra accommodations. These improvements are not adding to the artistic appearance of Travers Island, but on the contrary every move of late years tends to detract from its original beauty. As a sort of panacea to those who hate to see the green shades disappearing it is said that a green trellis work is to be trained around the tennis court. This fence will serve a double purpose, for while it gives the surroundings a sylvan aspect it will be a great ease to the eyes of tennis players and be a nice cool spot to rest between games. Those of the clubmen who favored track

and field sports were a bit put out when they beheld the preparations for the tennis courts, for an idea rrevailed that some day there was to be a 220 yard straightaway. the chute extending back to where the new courts are now situated, with the the old start of the 100 yards. When they learned that the courts had come to stay they looked downcast and sorrowful and a INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORT

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It is admitted that the advertisement gained through the discussion in the newspapers of the legitimacy of the races had much to do with the big crowd which turned out. One of the teachers recalled the fact that the several years ago when the P. S. A. L. was unable on account of financial stringency to run the high school indoor champion-ships the schools themselves took the games in band and made money on them. He added that he had no doubts as to the ability of his committee to manage athletics without the aid of the league, even though there will be no trophies and no championships.

It is admitted that the advertisement gained through the newspapers of the pessimists wanted to know if the club was going to turn into a tennis club. But matters among the athletes brightened when it was learned that the furlong straightaway was still a possibility and that it will run on the opposite side of the ability of his committee to manage athletics without the aid of the league, even though there will be no trophies and no championships. Rock. What a flood of memories hover around that spot! In the olden days the

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